

WHERE THE ACTION IS
EVENTS TO ADD QUALITY TO YOUR LIFE

**DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AND AWARENESS MONTH
OCTOBER JOB TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

HUMAN SERVICES CELEBRATES DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AND AWARENESS MONTH WITH activities and events in October. For a listing of the activities or for more information, visit www.ci.bloomington.mn.us, keyword: DEAM, or call 952-563-4873.

**CATCH THE WELLNESS WAVE
NATURAL APPROACHES TO HEALTH**

THIS FREE HEALTHY LIVING EVENT, FEATURING NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED SPEAKERS, fitness classes and health screenings, is **Saturday, October 8**, at Northwestern Health Sciences University, 2501 W. 84th St. For more information, call 952-888-4777, ext. 169.

**SENIOR PROGRAM'S FALL AFTERNOON DANCE
ALL AGES ARE INVITED**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE BLOOMINGTON SENIOR PROGRAM'S ANNUAL FALL dance to be held on **Monday, October 24, 1 - 3 p.m.**, at the Marian Knights of Columbus, 1114 American Blvd. W. Music will be provided by the Jolly Nobles. Cost is a \$3 donation, payable at the door. For more information, call 952-563-4949.

**BLOOMINGTON SISTER CITY ORGANIZATION (BSCO)
MIDDLE SCHOOL DELEGATION TO VISIT THIS FALL**



A MIDDLE SCHOOL DELEGATION FROM Izumi City, Japan will visit Bloomington **October 27 - November 2**. Activities will include tours of Bloomington Civic Plaza, the Mall of America and the Minnesota State Capital. To learn more, call 952-563-8713 (952-563-8740 TTY) or visit www.bloomington-izumi.org.

**MULTICULTURAL WORKSHOP THIS NOVEMBER
BLOOMINGTON HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION CO-SPONSORS EVENT**

THE MULTICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT CENTER AND THE BLOOMINGTON HUMAN RIGHTS Commission present "Somalis in the American Workplace - Accommodation, Culture, Ritual and Tradition on **Wednesday, November 16, 1 - 4:30 p.m.**, at Bloomington Civic Plaza. For more information or to register, call at 952-881-6090.

**PENN LAKE LIBRARY SPECIAL EVENT
HARVEST STORIES AND TEA PROGRAM**

BRING YOUR CHILDREN, GRANDCHILDREN AND FRIENDS TO A TEA AND STORYTIME event on **Saturday, November 12, 10:30 a.m.**, at the Penn Lake Library, 8800 Penn Ave. S. This free program is sponsored by Human Services and the Friends of Penn Lake Library. For more information, call 952-847-5800.

**GET THE ASSISTANCE
YOU NEED**

**SUPPORT GROUPS AVAILABLE
AT CREEKSIDE**

HUMAN SERVICES SUPPORTS AND assists a variety of support groups that meet at Creekside Community Center, 9801 Penn Ave. S.

Multiple Sclerosis Support Group helps people with Multiple Sclerosis as well as their family members and caregivers. The National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Minnesota Chapter co-sponsors this group. Meetings are the **first Wednesdays, September - December and February - June, 7 - 8:30 p.m.** For more information, call 952-563-4949.

Low Vision Support Group assists those with vision loss and their family members. Vision Loss Resources co-sponsors this group. Meetings are the **third Fridays, September - May, 10 - 11:30 a.m.** For more information, call 612-871-2222.



Grandparent Connection is for grandparents who provide primary care for their grandchildren. Childcare is provided with advance reservation. Lutheran Social Services co-sponsors this group. Meetings are the **third Thursdays, September - June, 6:30 - 8 p.m.** For more information, call 612-879-5351.



**AWARD-WINNING
PUBLICATIONS
CITY RECEIVES NATIONAL HONORS**

THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON WAS recently honored with two first-place awards in a national communications competition. The City-County Communications and Marketing Association (3CMA) presented its prestigious "Savvy Awards" to Bloomington at its August conference in Atlanta, Georgia.

The City's annual report - *Corporate Report to the Community 2004* - captured a first place Savvy Award. Judges praised the financial report as "easy to read" and called it a "cost-effective way to communicate."

The City's employee newsletter, *the Insider*, also earned a first place Savvy Award. "Outstanding publication," said the judges. "Excellent layout with great use of pictures."

Bloomington also picked up a third place Award of Excellence for the newsletter *Bloomington Briefing*. The judges said, "We loved the great design, use of photos and short, informative articles. 'Earth Action Heroes' is a clever way to recognize citizens and get people involved. Great publication."

To view the *Corporate Report to the Community 2004* and past issues of the *Bloomington Briefing*, visit www.ci.bloomington.mn.us keywords: Corporate Report 2004 or Briefing. For more information, call Diann Kirby, Communications Administrator, at 952-563-8818.

**THINK DRINKING IS A
RITE OF PASSAGE?**



MOST (78 PERCENT) BLOOMINGTON NINTH graders report they haven't had any alcoholic beverages in the last 30 days.* Talk to your kids about not wanting them to drink. They're listening.

**TOGETHER WE STAND, PROMOTING
HEALTHY YOUTH AND COMMUNITIES.**



*2004 Minnesota Student Survey

BLOOMINGTON YESTERDAY



Minnesota Historical Society

AERO INN - 1935

A POPULAR BLOOMINGTON LANDMARK, the Aero Inn got its start in Richfield. Standing in the midst of farmland at 66th Street and 34th Avenue, the inn was a supper club in the 1930s that featured dancing and Sunday chicken dinners. When the airport expanded in the early 1940s, the Aero Inn moved to 2731 E. 78th Street. In 1947, Everett McClay VFW Post 1296 purchased the inn and used it as their post until the 1990s. The VFW Post moved to 311 W. 84th St. to accommodate the airport's new runway expansion.